

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by: (AGE)

AN ACT REQUIRING A PAIN MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL IN NURSING HOMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2004) (a) Each nursing home, as
- 2 defined in section 19a-490 of the general statutes, as amended, shall
- 3 establish and implement a pain management protocol for the benefit of
- 4 residents. The protocol shall be consistent with regulations adopted
- 5 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.
- 6 (b) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in
- 7 accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to establish a pain
- 8 management protocol for use in nursing homes.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2004

Statement of Purpose:

To require nursing homes to establish and implement a pain management protocol for the benefit of patients. [Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]